

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/902,144  
Inventor(s) : Kane, et al.  
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Examiner : Romain Genty  
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Customer No. : 27752  
Title : Methods, Functional Data, and Systems for  
Optimizing Product Factors

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows:

Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$1,020.00

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 16-2480.

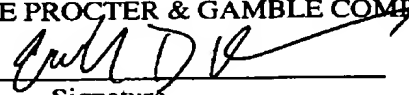
Respectfully submitted,

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